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Sir:

Pursuant to MPEP §609, Applicants hereby respectfully request that the Examiner initial the enclosed copy of the Form PTO-1449, originally submitted on September 21, 2006, in the appropriate place in the left-hand column as proof that the listed reference (A Notification of Reasons for Rejection mailed on July 21, 2006 from Japanese Patent Office for a counterpart application No. 2003-012352) has been considered and made of record. Applicants further request that the Examiner return a copy of the initialed form to the undersigned at his earliest convenience.

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YB	5,987,339 (English counterpart of JP-A-H10-190568)	Nov. 16, 1999	Asano		
YB	6,084,441 (English counterpart of JP-A-H10-49251)	Jul. 4, 2000	Kawai		
YB	4,051,663 (English counterpart of JP-B2-S58-7190)	Oct. 4, 1977	Chihara et al.		

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YB	JP-A-H10-190568 (Counterpart application of US 5,987,339)	7/21/98	Japan					X	
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YB	JP-A-H10-49251 (Counterpart application of US 6,084,441)	2/20/98	Japan					X	
YB	JP-B2-S58-7190 (Counterpart application of US 4,051,663)	2/08/83	Japan					X	
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YB	JP-A-H06-342088	12/13/94	Japan						X

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OTHER REFERENCES (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

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